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SUBJECT: CARGO RESERVE LEGISLATION

REFERENCE: GUATEMALA 0823

1. I PRESENTED POINTS MADE REFTTEL, SPECIFICALLY PARA 5, TO MIN ECON MOLINA AND CONGRESSIONAL DEP HECTOR ANDRADE, WHO IS MANAGING CARGO RESERVE BILL IN CONGRESS. BOTH APPEARED UNDERSTAND NEED TO DRAW LEGISLATION IN NON- DISCRIMINATORY FASHION. HOWEVER, ANDRADE ADDED THAT BILL WITH WHICH HE WAS PRESENTLY WORKING, PREPARED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO SATISFY POTENTIAL USG OBJECTIONS, WAS ANALYZED BY AN ASSISTANT AND FOUND TO INCLUDE TOO MANY EXCEPTIONS TO TAX PROVISION. ANDRADE SAID THAT IN ITS PRESENT DRAFT, BILL WAS NOT WORTH PASSING BUT THAT HE WOULD CONSULT FURTHER WITH CHAMBER BEFORE TAKING ANY ACTION.

2. CHAMBER OFFICIALS SIMILARLY HAVE INTENTION CALL ON ANDRADE TO INQUIRE STATUS OF BILL. THEY ARE CONFIDENT THAT ATTEMPT IMPOSE ADDITIONAL CARGO RESERVE REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN EFFECT- IVELY BLOCKED, BUT ARE LESS CERTAIN OF PASSAGE MARTIME TAX LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD REPEAL EXISTING CARGO RESERVE LAW. THUS, SITUATION COULD RETURN TO STATUS QUO. HOWEVER, CHAMBER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OFFICIALS ARE AWARE THAT ALREADY EXISTING CARGO RESERVE  
LEGISLATION IS SUFFICIENT TO DRAW CHARGE OF DISCRIMINATION  
FROM U. S. FLAG SHIPPER. IT IS IN CHAMBER'S INTEREST, THEREFORE  
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1974. AT THE FORTHCOMING SECOND CONFERENCE ON THE 1956  
DANISH AND ICELANDIC JOINT FINANCING AGREEMENTS IT IS  
INTENDED UNDER POINT 1 B OF THE AGENDA TO EXAMINE WHETHER IT  
WILL BE POSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM TARIFF SYSTEM FOR  
THE WHOLE NORTH ATLANTIC REGION OR - IF THAT IS NOT POSSIBLE-  
TO SET UP A TIME- TABLE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH A  
SYSTEM. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS OF THE OPINION THAT THESE  
EFFORTS WILL BE FRUSTRATED IF THE UNITED STATES REALIZE THE  
PLAN TO TERMINATE SHORTLY THE EXISTING SYSTEM OF OCEAN  
STATIONS. SIMILAR CONSIDERATIONS SHOULD BE MADE AS REGARDS  
LAST YEAR'S RECOMMENDED TAKING OVER OF THE OCEAN STATIONS BY  
THE WORLD ORGANIZATION FOR METEOROLOGY.

QUOTE IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THE DELEGATION OF THE  
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IS READY TO CONDUCT INFORMAL  
CONVERSATIONS ON RELEVANT QUESTIONS WITH THE DELEGATION OF  
THE UNITED STATES ON THE OCCASION OF THE SECOND CONFERENCE  
ON THE 1956 DANISH AND ICELANDIC JOINT FINANCING AGREEMENTS.  
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